

NYMPFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on 12th December at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

Present: Councillors Elizabeth Sturgess (Chair) (ES), Sue Cowle (Vice-Chair), (SC), David Acton (DA), Ann Hardy (AH), Carol Pittaway (CP).

In Attendance: Ashy McKay (Clerk) (AM).

16/125 Apologies for absence. District Councillor Jim Dewey (RJD).

16/126 Public Representation. 7.

16/127 Declarations of Interest. None.

16/128 Minutes of the meeting held on 14/11/16. As the minutes were not available owing to the temporary lack of a Parish Clerk, it was agreed to carry this item over to the next meeting.

16/129 Matters Arising. None.

16/130 District and County Councillor Reports. ES went through the report from Councillor Lydon that had been circulated in advance of the meeting. No comments.

At this point the Chair adjourned the meeting to move a vote of thanks to ex-Clerk Ann Robertson for all her hard work and made a presentation on behalf of all members.

16/131 To report on the appointment of a Parish Council Clerk. ES reported that following a selective interview process, Ashy McKay was appointed Clerk to the Parish Council with effect from 28/11/16. Formalities are in hand and will be brought to the January meeting for approval.

16/132 Village Maintenance. SC reported that the repairs to the Sarah Wooldridge memorial plaque are in hand. ES reported that there will be a village clear up in the New Year.

16/133 Community Order, Land to the side of the Rose & Crown. Tony Saunders, Director of Cotswold Homes, the developers of the new homes adjacent to the Rose & Crown Development and Red Rose Investments, the owners of the Rose & Crown was present to address the Council. TC claims that a parcel of land they wish to develop was owned by Cotswold Homes rather than Red Rose Investments at the time of the community asset registration and should not therefore have been included in it. He has applied to SDC to change the boundary of the Community Asset to free the land for development and is seeking NPC support to do so. ES thought the ownership issue is irrelevant and confirmed that NPC would resist any attempt to change the boundaries. TC reported that an agreement with Halo to develop the affordable homes and confirmed the developer will pay for a defibrillator for Nympsfield. He also confirmed that as the owner he would not be contributing anything towards the costs of delivering the relocated pub garden in the position shown on the original planning drawings, and therefore this was dependent on the pub tenant meeting those costs. He did not commit to a level of capital investment in the pub generated from the development despite having done so when making the planning application.

16/134 Transparency Code. AM notified councillors that compliance spot checks will be made on smaller councils. It was agreed that AM should check the Parish Council website to ensure it is compliant.

16/135 Highways. Bob Stevenson presented a report form speed monitoring on Tinkley Lane by Benton Court. ES proposed that BS have a further meeting with a councillor and ask the police for accident and speed figures for Cockadilly and bring a report recommending action to a future meeting.

16/136 Correspondence.

Neil Carmichael MP – Stroud in London.

Post Office Network Consultation.

SDC Appointment of tenants onto the Housing Committee.

Rural Opportunities Bulletin.

Rural Services Network Digest.

SDC Planning Weekly List 28/12/16-04/12/16.

SDC Planning Decisions. 28/11/16-02/12/16

The Door Youth Project.

Glos. Charter Parishes Group Meeting Agenda and Minutes.

Dursley Neighbourhood Policing Team.

NALC Press statement re. audit appointments.

Councils Connected.

Mid Cotswold Tracks and Trails Group.

SDC Tree Contracts.

CQC feedback on Gloucestershire Hospitals.

Neil Carmichael MP Constituency Report.

TTRO 2481 Front St. Nympsfield.

Cllr. Steve Lydon Nympsfield Road Safety.

16/137 Planning. (i) Decisions. Consent has been given to the application for a mobile mast; (ii) S.16/2703/HHOLD 1, Cotswold Terr. 2 storey extension. It was noted that there were no objections from neighbours. It was agreed to support; (iii) S.14/2840/FUL Lynch Knoll wind turbine. Application to extend permission for a further 12 months. Agreed to ask SDC to enforce removal when temporary consent expires. (AM); (iv) S.16/2531/VAR. Mobile Home opposite New Court Farm application to extend consent for single storey dwelling for a further 3 years. Agreed to write to SDC expressing disappointment that the original application was not for 2 semidetached dwelling for agricultural occupancy; (v) S.16/2403/DISCON. Land to the rear of the Rose & Crown. Discharge of conditions. It was agreed to ask for a street management plan to avoid unnecessary traffic congestion in the village once the building works begin. It was noted that Plan 1434502B referred to in the application is

not posted on the website. AM to report to SDC; (vi) S.16/ 2329/HHOLD. Park St. Farm, Tinkley Lane, permission refused for a garage. It was agreed to request a site visit with SDC as NPC would support the application on condition that planting to screen the buildings is carried out. (AM).

16/138 Finance. Cheques to authorise: Hawkins £378 for grass cutting; Village Hall £84 cleaning; Leopard Press £67, Village News.

16/139.Councillors Reports and items for future agendas. SC reported that the dog wardens had attended as requested; DA reported the removal of some hedging at the junction with Bath Rd. and Nympsfield Rd had not been done.; It was agreed that AM contact GCC about providing a kissing gate for the footpath at the bottom of The Glebe.

16/140 Date of the next meeting. 9th January 2017 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

Chair's Signature..... Date.....